

Basic Detail Report

Title Purse

Date about 1840-1875

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched and embroidered wool on linen canvas and silk, with brass rings, silk-covered wooded tassels, silk chenille, and a silk covered cord

Description Woman's purse of wool cross stitch worked on linen canvas. The design is abstract, worked in swirling patterns of brown ecru on tan, with red, ecru, and blue bud-like motifs. A green silk-covered cord covers the seams and edges the top. More cord is strung through brass rings along the top and extends into carrying handles. Two tassels hang from the sides; they are made of variegated green chenille yarns ending in green silk-covered balls and headed by green silk-covered wooden tops. The purse is lined with dark green silk.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 6 5/8 x 6 5/8in. (16.8 x 16.8cm)